

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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November 25, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes for the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000170 - Hollyhills Drain, Unit 7, Cities of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and West Hollywood (3), Mike Bubalo Construction Co., in amount of \$27,200.00.

Project ID No. RDC0012924 - Harding Avenue, et al., vicinity of East Los Angeles (1), Excel Paving Company, in amount of \$117,222.85.

Project ID No. RDC0013206 - Prairie Avenue, et al., vicinity of Hawthorne (2), HPD, Inc., in amount of \$13,320.00.

Project ID No. RDC0013419 - Avalon Boulevard, et al., vicinity of Compton (2), Security Paving Company, Inc., in amount of \$34,700.00.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts.

Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of my delegated limits which are required to complete Project ID Nos. FCC0000170, RDC0012924, RDC0013206, and RDC0013419.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

Approval of these changes in work, which are necessary to satisfactorily complete the projects, is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since the improved infrastructure will better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts range from \$13,320.00 to \$117,222.85.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board-s directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes are based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000170, HOLLYHILLS DRAIN, UNIT 7 (Cities of Beverly Hills,

Los Angeles, and West Hollywood), Supervisorial District 3,

Contractor: Mike Bubalo Construction Co.

Project Description:

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain.

Changes in Work:

Total

(1) Traffic Safety Enhancement \$15,200.00 (2) Remove and Replace Concrete Pavement \$12,000.00

\$<u>27,200.00</u>

Description of Changes:

- (1) Your Board previously approved a change in work request to lower the roadway crown on Cynthia Street between Doheny Drive and San Vicente Boulevard. In order to enhance traffic safety, it will be necessary to restore the pavement over the storm drain trench to the original elevation temporarily until restoration of Cynthia Street begins. At that time, the excess pavement will be cold milled to the lower elevation. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (2) The City of West Hollywood has requested removal and replacement of 1,200 square feet of damaged concrete pavement on Sunset Hills Road north of Doheny Road. The work is not shown on the plans. The City will reimburse the County for the cost of this work.

The cost for Item 1 will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Three additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$6,998,871.00
Changes in work previously approved	
by the Board	257,988.94
Changes in work to be authorized	27,200.00
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Revised contract amount	\$7.284.059.94

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0012924, HARDING AVENUE, ET AL. (in the vicinity of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1, Contractor: Excel Paving Company

Project Description:

Widening and reconstruction of roadway; reconstruction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, driveways, alley intersections, and cross gutters; modification of traffic signals; installation of street lights; and planting of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Modify Work Sequence	\$ 12,000.00
(2)	Field Office	8,000.00
(3)	Additional Unclassified Excavation to Stabilize Subgrade	72,500.00
(4)	Remove and Replace Catch Basin	7,500.00
(5)	Match New Concrete	8,100.00
(6)	Tie-ins per Southern California Edison-s Standards	3,700.00
(7)	Pothole Utility Lines	2,300.00
(8)	Material Cost Increase	<u>3,122.85</u>
	Total	\$ <u>117,222.85</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) In order to minimize public impact, it will be necessary to direct the contractor to rearrange the sequence of work. This will minimize the amount of time that the road subgrade is exposed.

- (2) Due to the magnitude and duration of this project, it will be necessary to provide a field office for contract inspectors.
- (3) In order to ensure a stable foundation for the new pavement, it will be necessary to remove unsuitable material underlying the roadway. In addition, in areas of high moisture, a special fabric will be installed to provide additional stability. This work is not shown on the plans.

- (4) Due to the widening of the road and the new location of the proposed curb, a catch basin on the east side of Saybrook Avenue will have to be removed and replaced. An electrical vault and other abandoned underground facilities will also have to be removed. This work is not shown on the plans.
- (5) It will be necessary to modify several walkways on private property to match the new sidewalk elevation. This work was not included in the plans.
- (6) Two existing street lights are in conflict with the proposed new curb and need to be relocated. The contractor will be directed to install the electrical tie-ins for the relocation. A traffic loop stub-out will also be needed for the new loops to be installed on Saybrook Avenue at Whittier Boulevard. This work was not included in the plans.
- (7) To accommodate the additional subgrade excavation, the contractor will be directed to perform exploratory excavations to locate utility lines.
- (8) The paving work was postponed to avoid inclement weather. It will be necessary to reimburse the contractor for the increase in the cost for the asphalt concrete pavement that occurred during the delay.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of Item 5 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The costs for Items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and the balance of Item 5 will be based on a time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Forty additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,193,104.00
Changes in work to be authorized	117,222.85
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>1,310,326.85</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013206, PRAIRIE AVENUE, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Hawthorne), Supervisorial District 2, Contractor: HPD, Inc.

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, curb, gutter, driveways, sidewalk, and cross gutter; construction of curb, gutter, and curb ramps; removal, root pruning, and planting of parkway trees; and modification of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

` '	Additional Tree Planting Office Facility	\$ 1,320.00 6,000.00
` '	Construct Curb Height Transitions	6,000.00

Total \$<u>13,320.00</u>

<u>Description of Changes</u>:

- (1) In order to properly complete the landscaping, it will be necessary to plant additional 15 gallon trees along 137th Street and Fonthill Avenue. This work is not shown on the plans.
- (2) Your Board previously approved a change in work for the contractor to provide a field office for the duration of the project. Since the project duration will be extended because of additional work, the cost for this change will exceed the original estimate by the amount shown.
- (3) Your Board previously approved a change in work to construct transitions from an 8" curb and gutter to a 6" curb and gutter. It will be necessary to construct additional transitions at various locations. Therefore, the cost for this work will exceed the original estimate by the amount shown.

The cost for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$2,021,201.15
Changes in work previously authorized	
by the Board	622,213.05
Changes in work to be authorized	13,320.00
Revised contract amount	\$2 656 734 20

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013419, AVALON BOULEVARD, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Compton), Supervisorial District 2, Contractor: Security Paving Company, Inc.

Project Description:

Roadway resurfacing; reconstruction of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; construction of curb ramps; striping and pavement markings; modification of traffic signals; and removal, trimming, and planting of parkway trees.

Change in Work:

Construct Drainage System and Repair Pavement

\$34,700.00

Description of Change:

In order to make the contract improvements compatible with existing improvements at the southwest corner of Mona and El Segundo Boulevards, it will necessary to install an 18" diameter connector pipe and a manhole, and restore damaged pavement. This work was not included in the original scope of work. The cost for this change was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Seven additional working days will be required because of this change.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,124,466.40
Changes in work previously approved	
by the Board	32,100.00
Change in work to be authorized	<u>34,700.00</u>
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Revised contract amount	\$ <u>1,191,266.40</u>

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